

Powers of said court.

Exclusive original jurisdiction in certain offenses.

Appeals from said courts shall lie in superior court.

Proviso.

Nothing in this act shall require that case be printed on appeal.

Solicitor of criminal court shall prosecute cases on appeal.

Fees of solicitor.

SEC. 2. That the said courts hereby established shall possess all the powers, perform all the duties and be subject to all the restrictions of a court of record according to the laws of this state.

SEC. 3. That the said courts shall have exclusive original jurisdiction to inquire of, hear and try all crimes, misdemeanors and offenses committed in the counties of Mecklenburg, New Hanover, Edgecombe, Northampton, Robeson, Halifax, Cumberland, Craven, Nash, Warren and Wilson respectively and to the same extent as the superior courts of the state.

SEC. 4. That said court shall have all jurisdiction vested in the superior courts to try all crimes and offenses originating within the said counties of Mecklenburg, New Hanover, Edgecombe, Robeson, Halifax, Cumberland, Craven, Nash, Warren and Wilson respectively, and to give judgment and to award execution therein and for the recovery of all fines and forfeitures, and that the process, pleading, practice and mode of proceeding shall be the same in said courts as prevails in the superior court of the state in such cases as aforesaid.

SEC. 5. That appeals from the said courts in said respective counties shall lie to the superior courts respectively only on matters of law or legal inference, and the statement of case on appeal in such case to said superior court shall be made and perfected in like manner and under the same rules and regulations as appeals from the superior courts of the state to the supreme court: *Provided*, that nothing in this act shall be construed as to require the printing of the case on appeal from the criminal to the superior court. The said appeal shall be heard by the judge of the superior court riding the district in not less than twenty days from the day of adjournment of the court at which such appeal may be taken. That said appeal shall be heard by the judge at chambers, and in case the judgment of the said criminal court is affirmed the same shall be certified to the clerk of the criminal court, and the sentence before made shall go into immediate effect as now provided by law in case the supreme court affirms the judgment of the superior court. That in case of appeal to the judge of the superior court the solicitor of the criminal court shall appear and prosecute for the state, and if the decision of the said criminal court shall be affirmed shall be allowed five dollars (\$5) for each offense in case of misdemeanors, ten dollars (\$10) in case of felony other than capital, and twenty dollars (\$20) in case of capital felonies. That in all criminal appeals taken from the courts of the justices of the peace to the superior courts of the respective counties aforesaid, the solicitors to be appointed and elected under this act shall appear and prosecute for the state, and shall in case of conviction be entitled to the same fees as for convictions in the superior courts of said counties. That in all